

MA 20104 Probability and Statistics
Hints/Solutions to Assignment No. 6

1. $P(1 < X + Y < 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^1 \int_{1-y}^{2-y} e^{-(x+y)} dx dy + \int_1^2 \int_0^{2-y} e^{-(x+y)} dx dy \\ &= (e^{-1} - e^{-2}) + (e^{-1} - 2e^{-2}) = (2e^{-1} - 3e^{-2}). \end{aligned}$$

$P(X < Y | X < 2Y) = \frac{P(X < Y)}{P(X < 2Y)}$. Now

$$P(X < Y) = \int_0^\infty \int_x^\infty e^{-(x+y)} dy dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(X < 2Y) = \int_0^\infty \int_{\frac{x}{2}}^\infty e^{-(x+y)} dy dx = \frac{2}{3}$$

So the required probability is 0.75.

Clearly X and Y are independent. So

$$P(0 < X < 1 | Y = 2) = P(0 < X < 1) = 1 - e^{-1}.$$

$P(X + Y < m) = \frac{1}{2}$ is equivalent to $2(m+1)e^{-m} - 1 = 0$. This is a nonlinear equation and can be solved numerically. Elementary numerical methods such as bisection gives $m \approx 1.68$.

2. The marginal densities of X and Y are

$$f_X(x) = x + \frac{1}{2}, 0 < x < 1 \text{ and } f_Y(y) = y + \frac{1}{2}, 0 < y < 1.$$

Clearly X and Y are not independent.

$$E(X) = \frac{7}{12}, E(X^2) = \frac{5}{12}, V(X) = \frac{11}{144}$$

$$E(Y) = \frac{7}{12}, E(Y^2) = \frac{5}{12}, V(Y) = \frac{11}{144}$$

$$E(XY) = \frac{1}{3}, Cov(X + Y) = -\frac{1}{144}$$

$$Var(X + Y) = V(X) + V(Y) + 2Cov(X, Y) = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$\text{Corr}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X)\text{Var}(Y)}} = -\frac{1}{11}$$

The conditional pdf of $X|Y = y$ is given by

$$f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{2(x+y)}{2y+1}, 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1.$$

$$E(X|Y = y) = \frac{2+3y}{3(2y+1)}, E(X^2|Y = y) = \frac{3+4y}{6(2y+1)},$$

$$V(X|Y = y) = \frac{6y^2 + 6y + 1}{18(2y+1)^2}$$

3. Similar to calculations in Q.1 and Q. 2.

4. $(X, Y) \sim BVN(24, 28, 36, 49, 0.8)$. Then $X \sim N(24, 36)$. So

$$P(X > 30) = \Phi(-1) = 0.1587.$$

The conditional distribution of X given $Y = 35$ is $N(28.8, 12.96)$.

So $\text{Var}(X|Y = 35) = 12.96$.

$$P(X > 30|Y = 35) = P\left(Z > \frac{30 - 28.8}{\sqrt{12.96}}\right) = \Phi(-0.33) = 0.3707.$$

The conditional distribution of Y given $X = 22$ is $N(26.13, 17.64)$.

$$E(Y|X = 22) = 26.13.$$

5. Similar to Q. 4.

6. The marginal density of Y is $f_Y(y) = e^{-y}, y > 0$.

The conditional density of X given $Y = y$ is

$$f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{1}{y} e^{-\frac{x}{y}}, x > 0.$$

$$E(Y) = 1, E(X) = EE(X|Y) = E(Y) = 1. V(Y) = 1.$$

$$V(X) = VE(X|Y) + EV(X|Y) = V(Y) + E(Y^2) = 1 + 2 = 3.$$

$$E(XY) = E(Y E(X|Y)) = E(Y^2) = 2. \text{Cov}(X, Y) = 1.$$

$$\text{Corr}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}.$$

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9. In order that $f(x, y)$ is a valid density, $-1 < \alpha < 1$.

The marginal densities of X and Y are

$$f_X(x) = 1, 0 < x < 1 \text{ and } f_Y(y) = 1, 0 < y < 1.$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad E(Y) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad V(X) = \frac{1}{12}, \quad V(Y) = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E\left(X - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(Y - \frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\alpha}{36}, \quad \text{Corr}(X, Y) = -\frac{\alpha}{3}$$

Clearly X and Y are independent if and only if $\alpha = 0$.

Q. 10- Q. 17 can be solved as earlier questions.